

Stimulus Package Funding Education Overview



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Legislative Overview: ARRA

American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) (Enacted February 17, 2009) (also referred to as the *Economic Stimulus Package*)

Provides more than \$100 billion for education programs

- Stabilization Funds
 - \$53.6 Billion
 - Distributed in July 2009 and July 2010 to prevent the anticipated 15% cuts to education
 - Allocated to prevent layoffs and cuts in critical education services
- Children & Family Services/Title 1/Special Education Funds
 - \$28.3 Billion
 - Distributed in April 2009 and between April and July 2010
 - Allocated to support the education of special needs and at-risk students



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Legislative Overview: Stabilization Funds

STABILIZATION FUNDS

- School districts receiving Stabilization funds may only use the funds for activities authorized under:
 - the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)
 - the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA)
 - the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (Perkins)
 - and for school modernization, renovation, and repair of public school facilities (including charter schools), which may include modernization, renovation, and repairs consistent with a recognized green building rating system
 - Must achieve equity in teacher distribution, establish a longitudinal data system as described in the America COMPETES Act, and must enhance the quality of academic assessments relating to English language learners and students with disabilities
- Public institutions of higher education receiving Stabilization funds must use these funds for:
 - educational and general expenditures, and in such a way as to mitigate the need to raise tuition and fees
 - for modernization, renovation, or repairs of facilities that are primarily used for instruction, research, or student housing
 - use of funds for endowments and certain types of facilities such as athletic stadiums is prohibited



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Legislative Overview: Children and Families Services and Education for the Disadvantaged

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVICES PROGRAMS

- \$3,150,000,000
 - \$1 billion is provided for Head Start
 - \$1.1 billion for Early Head Start (regional and American Indian and Alaska Native Early Head Start programs and Migrant and Seasonal Head Start programs)

EDUCATION FOR THE DISADVANTAGED

- \$13,000,000,000
 - \$10 Billion for Title 1 Formula grants
 - \$3 Billion for School Improvement grants
 - 40% of School Improvement allocation designated for middle and high schools
 - \$650 million in funding for the Enhancing Education through Technology program
 - this includes \$200 million for Innovation and Improvement
 - \$100 Million allocated for “shovel ready” facility projects
 - \$70 million for Education for the Homeless Children and Youth program



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Legislative Overview: Children and Families Services

SPECIAL EDUCATION

- \$12,200,000,000
 - 11.3 billion for Section 611 of Part B (used to supplement K-21 special education programs for students with disabilities in areas which include, but are not limited to instructional modifications, assistive technology, extended school year services, special certified personnel, and training)
 - \$400 million for Section 619 of Part B (preschool ages 3-5)
 - \$500 million for Part C of IDEA (early intervention for infants/toddlers)

